TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1749

January 18, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits a court, administrative judge, or hearing officer presiding over a contested case hearing or appeal from relying solely on an agency's interpretation of a statute or rule; specifies that such entity must interpret the meaning of the statute or rule de novo. Requires the court, administrative judge, or hearing officer in an action involving a state agency to exercise any remaining doubt in favor of a reasonable interpretation that limits agency power and maximizes individual liberty after applying all customary tools of interpretation.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

• Specifying certain frameworks for interpretation in contested cases will not have a significant fiscal effect on state or local government.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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